# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 10 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 11 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 10 Dec 2023 at 03:35 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for changeable, low for details and snow levels

**Headline for Sunday 10 Dec 2023:** Damp cloudy start, brightening up for a time, then more cloud, rain and snow in the afternoon.

**Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 10 Dec 2023**

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| **Blizzards**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent snow**<br>Low Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>No Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>No Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Low Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>High Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>Low Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>No Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Cloudy | Cloudy | Sleet | Heavy snow | Cloudy | Partly cloudy (night) |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| 20% | 10% | 60% | 80% | 20% | 10% |

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**Weather:** Cloudy early morning with patchy rain and summit sleet. Turning dry and brighter from the south from dawn. However, thicker cloud brings heavy rain to Arran by late morning and then into the rest of the Southwest Highlands from midday, where it will turn to snow down to 750m, perhaps 600m in heavier outbreaks. The rain and snow will clear northwards around dusk, then a dry evening with a chance of some clear spells.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 20% at first rising to 60% in morning but then falling to 20% or less during the afternoon.

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Extensive cloud 500-800m overnight, with poor visibility in drizzly rain, becoming patchy in morning with visibility away from cloud becoming good for a time. More low cloud then developing during the afternoon and evening with bases falling to 500m or so, with poor visibility in rain and hill snow.

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**Forecast for Sunday 10 Dec 2023**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 18/21 SW | 20/24 SE | 20/25 SE | 26/32 SE | 20/27 E | 13/16 E | 11/15 E |
| **900** | 13/17 SW | 14/18 S | 15/20 SE | 20/27 SE | 18/25 E | 12/16 E | 11/16 NE |
| **600** | 17/21 SW | 17/20 S | 14/17 SE | 17/23 SE | 16/21 E | 8/11 E | 11/14 NE |
| **300** | 9/13 S | 11/14 SE | 8/14 SE | 13/20 SE | 8/16 E | 5/9 N | 4/7 N |
| **Glen** | 6/13 SW | 3/8 SW | 6/11 E | 6/13 E | 6/14 NE | 5/13 NE | 5/12 NE |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1300** | 0/-6 | -2/-9 | -2/-9 | -3/-11 | -4/-11 | -3/-9 | -2/-8 |
| **900** | 2/-3 | 1/-5 | 0/-5 | -1/-7 | -1/-7 | -1/-6 | -1/-6 |
| **600** | 4/-0 | 4/-0 | 4/0 | 3/-2 | 3/-2 | 2/-2 | 2/-3 |
| **300** | 6/4 | 6/3 | 5/2 | 4/-0 | 3/0 | 4/2 | 3/1 |
| **Glen** | 8/6 | 6/5 | 6/5 | 6/4 | 5/3 | 4/3 | 4/2 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 1300m | 900m | 900m | 800m | 800m | 800m | 900m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Note the falling freezing levels and increasing snow risk in afternoon. However, freezing level will be above the summits across Arran.

**Forecast for Monday 11 Dec 2023**

**Weather:** Mainly dry and bright with a chance of some sunny spells, although cloudier across Arran with the odd isolated shower possible. Cloud thickens in the evening with heavy rain and summit snow towards midnight, perhaps giving snow down to 700m in any heavier outbreaks,

**Maximum wind:** Northeast becoming East 15 gusting 20mph, increasing to 20 gusting 30 mph late evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 70%.

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Visibility generally good with most summits cloud free, some patchy cloud on eastern summits, mainly early morning and late afternoon.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius
**At 800m:** 0 Celsius falling Minus 2 in evening.
**Freezing level:** 800m falling 600m in evening.

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